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METHOD OF IDENTIFYING NUCLEIC ACIDS

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Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the January 29, 2002, Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before July 29, 2002. A check in the amount of \$920.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-539 CPA2 (Cura-39 CPA2). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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